

The regular meeting of the Prattsburgh Town Board was called to order on July 15th, 2024, at 6:30 P.M. at the Prattsburgh Town Hall, Prattsburgh, NY. Supervisor Wordingham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Albert Wordingham Supervisor
Angela Einwachter Councilmember
Elizabeth Peck Councilmember
Janette Payne Councilmember
Pete Scheid Councilmember
Edward Brockman Legal Counsel
Kim Sobolewski Town Clerk

PLANNING BOARD

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, the Board approved the Planning Board to present moratorium format at the August meeting.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

MINUTES

On a motion made by Councilmember Scheid, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the June 17th, 2024, Meeting Minutes were accepted as presented.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

FINANCIAL REPORT

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Payne, the July 2024 financial report was accepted as presented by Supervisor Wordingham.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

AUDIT OF BILLS

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter, seconded by Councilmember Schied, the board approved payment of the following bills on ABSTRACT #7 to be paid as presented. The total amount to be paid on ABSTRACT #7 is \$68,428.28 (Voucher#259-296)

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

CODE

Permits apps - 6
Appearance Tickets-0
Renewals- 2
Building inspections- 15
Septic Inspections – 0
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Compliance inspections - 6
Compliance orders – 6
Phone Calls – 110
Incidents – 0
Emails – 58
Plan Reviews., worked on code files, Fire & safety ck list update, In service training, Main street

WATER

I have been working on finalizing Empire's water service line
Read water meters
Data logged four Neptune meters with high usage
Contacted customers with high water usage
We found a leak in the ground at the Trailer Park on their side of the meter
I took the tractor up to the reservoir to do some grading
Fixed a leak in the chlorine line at the pumphouse
Sent in June's water report to the DOH
I have been working on our Lead and Copper sample testing
We received 201 meters, 10 meter pits and the Neptune mobile reader from Ti-Sales
I took our July's Coli/Ecoli sample to the Wayland Lab
We are going to start installing meters next week. 200 meters in 2 months. Wish us luck!
UDIG
Tickets – 28
Markouts – 5
Emergency - 0

SUPERVISOR

6/12/24 We have been informed that the New York State Code of Review has scheduled a hearing on July 18th for the Main Street Project. The decision from the State Department will be the final determination. The public is encouraged to attend. The meeting will probably be accessed through Webex and as soon as that is confirmed we will pass it along.
6/13/24 A couple of months ago I submitted a letter to Senator Gillibrand's office asking for \$3,000,000.00 for our future water project. I received notice this morning that we are on the C.D.S (Congressional Directed Spending) list. It is still a long shot, but we are over the first hurdle.
6/17/24 I received an email from Andy Ye (Economic Development Agency) regarding our grant application for the waste water project. I will share with Andy that within about a week, Prattsburgh will own the property needed for the project. This is the final piece of money we need to get the project started. We will also be applying for the W.Q.I.P. (Water Quality Improvement Program) grant in July.
6/26/24 Angela, Matt Bull (I.D.A.), Brad Sick (Larson Design Group), Kory Bay (School), and I met to discuss the possibility of the school seeking grant money for the wastewater project. The school and the town have a real need to complete this project. The town has federal grants but lacks any state monies. The school has a number of other sources that are

not available to the municipalities. There are a number of questions that need to be researched. Once that is complete, we will meet again.

7/2/24 Last week I called the Association of Towns to get some answers regarding the possibility of the town and school working together on state grant money for the wastewater project. The attorney (Sarah Brancatella) that I spoke with said that the concept of the town and school working together to secure the necessary grants isn't just legal but is encouraged. She emailed me the specific documents for the town and school to review.

7/3/24 Kory Bay talked to his board about the possibility of partnering with the town on the waste water project. His board is interested in the possibility, so Kory will be contacting the school's attorney for their input.

7/5/24 A couple of months ago the Town of Prattsburgh was notified that we had been awarded a grant for \$114,000. Prattsburgh is receiving the grant from the Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC). The grant has enabled Chris Underhill to purchase the water meters and software as well as meter pits and related parts to complete the water meter replacement project. Chris will be starting the project in about one week.

7/8/24 Angela Einwachter, Ben Bieber, Casey Wetmore, Belinda Combs (union representative), and I met to start negotiating the highway contract. I will be collecting and distributing the union's request for the highway department. We will start the discussion with the board at the July meeting.

DOG LICENCING

On a motion made by Councilmember Scheid, seconded by Councilmember Peck, the following was approved:

TOWN OF PRATTSBURGH

RESOLUTION 15- 2024

Amending the Local Law Pertaining To Dog Licensing and Control of Dogs in the Town of Prattsburgh

Motion by Councilperson Scheid, seconded by Councilperson Peck to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town Board is considering amending the Town Dog Law; and

WHEREAS, The Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh intends to act as lead agency for the purposes of this action under the provisions of SEQRA and;

WHEREAS, The adoption of a local law respecting dog licensing and dog control may be deemed a "Type II" action pursuant to SEQRA, as no environmental impacts are perceived.

WHEREAS, a proposed Local Law has been circulated to the Town Board with respect thereto.

Now Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh hereby establishes itself as Lead Agency pursuant to 6NYCRR § 617 for the purposes of the environmental review of this action; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Prattsburgh determines that the proposed adoption of dog licensing and dog control regulations will have no adverse effect on the environment, therefore this is a Type II action and accordingly no environmental review will be undertaken; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a public hearing on the proposed Local Law is hereby scheduled for August 19, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. and legal counsel is directed to provide notice thereof by posting and publication.

CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF STEUBEN)

I, Kim Sobolewski, Town Clerk for the Town of Prattsburgh, County of Steuben and State of New York, do hereby certify that the before mentioned RESOLUTION 2024 was adopted at the regular meeting the Town Board held on July 15, 2024, and is incorporated in the original minutes of said meeting, and that said resolution has not been altered, amended or revoked and is in full force and effect.

Dated: July 16, 2024

Kim Sobolewski – Town Clerk

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

CLOSED SESSION

On a motion made by Councilmember Einwachter and seconded by Councilmember Peck with all Board Members favor, the Board will go into closed session to confer with legal counsel.

Councilwoman Einwachter-Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

On a motion made by Councilmember Scheid and seconded by Councilmember Einwachter, the board agreed to exit closed session and reenter regular session.

Councilwoman Einwachter-Aye
Councilwoman Peck-Aye
Councilwoman Payne-Aye
Councilman Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

UNION NEGOTIATION

On a motion made by Councilmember Peck, seconded by Councilmember Scheid, the Board approved Al Wordingham and Councilmember Einwachter to finalize the Union Negotiation.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Councilmember Peck, seconded by Councilmember Einwachter, and duly carried, the Regular meeting was adjourned at 8:14 P.M.

Councilmember Einwachter- Aye
Councilmember Peck-Aye
Councilmember Payne-Aye
Councilmember Scheid-Aye
Supervisor Wordingham-Aye

Respectfully submitted,
Kim Sobolewski, Town Clerk